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Scott's Title to the Senatorship.

An Intelligencer special from Wash-Ington in this morning's paper gives the views of Representative Miller, who is a member of the congressional judiciary committee, on the points raised by Mr. McGraw, the late Democratic candidate for United States senator, concerning the legality of the election of Mr. Scott, with especial reference to the case of the two so-called war senators. Getzendanner and Pierson, whose right to vote is disputed by the Democrats.

Mr. Miller, whose legal ability is unquestioned, puts the matter briefly and convincingly, and his opinion deserves consideration. His construction of the clause in the constitution, on which is based the claim made by Mr. McGraw and others who have rendered opinions in the matter, seems fair and logical, and carries withit its own comment. The point that when the legislature met on the 11th of January the two senators were not holding a lucrative office under the United States government, and that there was no violation of the intent of the law, which is to prevent a person from the discharge of incompatible official duties, each of which might require his services and subject him to different jurisdictions at the same time, gets down to the practical phase of the case

No conflict of authority under the circumstances could possibly have arisen, since the two senators were amenable to but one, and the whole matter was so decided after an investigation by the senate and before the election of a senator. That being the proper body under the law the United States will not go back of it.

In justice to Mr. McGraw, his statemen concerning the contention that 49 votes were required to elect senators is repeated. On this point, which is based solely on precedent, the senate will decide whether there was an election or not. Mr. McGraw cannot, and we be-Neve does not, intend to hold that he is entitled to the seat in the senate, for he received but 46 votes, his only effort being in the direction of keeping Mr. Scott out of the reat, in which effort he will more than likely fail.

#### Executive Sessions a Necessity.

Recently the veteran statesman, Mr. Sherman, sarcastically remarked concerning a debate that it would be fully and accurately reported because it was held in executive session of the senate. Commenting on this, the Baltimore American declared that Mr. Sherman's declaration was one of the old jokes of Congress that lives because it has solid truth a it, and continued:

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The truth of the whole business is that the secret sessions are mainly a fraud. Being wholly against the right policy of a free government, and arainst the public interest, the senators themselves have such little respect for them that the most of them 60 not hesitate to give to the press the facts of what takes place behind the closed doors. But at the same time the senators are areat sticklers for preceden, and it is this which keeps them from agreeing to change the rule which has prevalled for, so many years. Then, too, the more candid and progressive members have a kind of sacred regard for the old men of the senate, and all the old fogles are against a change. The executive sessions will be opened some day, but it may be several years before the senate can be induced to go that far.

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This is a common argument against executive sessions of the senate, and one which has had considerable effect on inconsiderate people, who do not stop to think what might occur if executive sessions were abandoned. The Washington Post, referring to the quotation from the American and to the general subject, declares that it does not fairly present the case. It holds, as do "the old fogles," and very properly, that in most cases the executive or private ses-sions are imperative. The Post points out that in the consideration of international questions papers are often submitted and remarks necessarily made that should not, for diplomatic reasons. be published and are not permitted to be published. It is also frequently the case that, in the consideration of nominations for office, papers are presented and discussed that relate to personal character and habits.

The public can see readily that in cases like these secrecy should be pre-served in order that possible injustice may be avoided. The matter of the publication of debates and unimportant incidents that would do no harm, or would not affect our foreign relations or involve anybody's integrity, injuring him in the eyes of the world, did it stand alone as an argument, and there were no other reasons for privacy, might be all right, but such not being the case, it does not prove that open sessions can always be held. The imperative necessity the Post refers to is the cause of executive sessions, and the "old fogles," as those who advocate open sessions designate those who stand up for the executive sessions, have learned from experience that abolition of the present system would be unwise

Executive sessions will be pretty ant to remain a custom for a long time to come-the necessity for them being the more apparent now, as our foreign relations are extending and diplomatic negotiations and treaties are growing more frequent. The public is not deprived of the knowledge of these things, nor of the results and the benefits, by reason of secret sessions of the senate for their consideration.

Bryan's New Dispensation. Mr. Bryan proposes to begin his campaign for 1900 in "the enemy's country." Finding the west slipping away from him, and repudiating his theories, he is going to convert the east. Even more daring is he than that. He will overthrow the Democratic organization in New York, including Boss Croker himself, and capture the state under the very nose of the great mass of Democrats who are opposed to free silver and all its accompanying evils. If he cannot succeed in doing this at the polls and in state conventions, he proposes to see to it that if the "regular Democracy" shows up at the next national convention with an anti-Bryanite dele-

seat a free silver delegation. In this way Mr. Bryan will sweep New York at the election like a cyclone and perhaps carry along with the tide all the remainder of the "enemy's country," and may incidentally take New England. Mr. Bryan doesn't say this in so many words, but when Mr. Croker attempted to mark Mr. Bryan off the map it is what he intimated he would do, according to a broad and liberal con-

struction.

gation he will throw it out bodily and

The war when it opens up will be far more interesting in some respects than our late unpleasantness with Spain, and it may contribute somewhat to the effects of that war in the bearing it will have in keeping this government in safe hands and sustaining its present financial credit and commercial standing before the world. We trust that Mr. Bryan will not delay his programme; the sooner it will begin the more interesting it will become, and the more significant it will be in its results.

The New York Tribune pays this tribute to Governor Roosevelt: "Governor Roosevelt is a great disappointment to his enemies. He is neither going back on his pledges, nor doing impracticable things. He is making excellent appointments, securing to the state good government and strengthening himself and his party. He is playing the best and highest politics by not playing politics Those who recall how it was charged that, in order to obtain the nomination and election to the governorship, Colonel Roosevelt sacrificed his well-known principles and made deals by which a string would be tied to his pledges, are learning that they did not understand and appreciate the stuff that he is made of.

The tremendous strain upon President McKinley, which he has withstood during the past year, has been so severe a test of his physical strength that his health has been affected. Though not ill enough to prevent him from attending to his executive duties, he is obliged to remain quiet and decline invitations to ceremonies. The whole country will sympathize with the President, and sincerely hope that the remarkable strength and vigor which has stood him in such good stead in the past will assert themselves, and that his iliness will soon yield to medical treatment.

Mayor Quincey, of Boston, began the work of reform by cutting down his own salary seven and a half percent. As the mayor's salary is only \$10,000 a year, its reduction to \$9,250 is a noble sample of self-sacrifice for the good of the city. Possibly, however, Mayor Quincey will not feel the cut quite as much as will the 5,000 employes affected by the order.

Pittsburgh trolley cars are to be introduced into Egypt to supplant the donkeys, and all tourist points are to be connected by electrical railways, the pyramids not to be neglected. Thus is the latest and most advanced motive system to advance civilization into the land of antiquity and over the graves of the Pharoahs.

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#### Senator-Elect Scott's Rights.

To the Editor of the Intelligence To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

SIR:—Will you please give, in your daily paper on or before Friday, February 3, some reasons why Senator-elect Scott should be allowed to take his seat in the United States senate? I have been told that he did not have a majority of the legal members of the legislature, the people saying that two of the war senators had no right to of the war senators had no right to vote, and that Kidd was unjustly un-scated. Is it true? By doing this you you will greatly oblige a constant read-

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Beauty is but skin deep; many hand-some people are inwardly deformed. Love may not make the world go round, but it makes a lot of people. Girls should never throw kisses ex-

The average man is usually so glad to get home from a social that he's glad he went.

Prohibitionists are respectfully re-minded that water is always getting into the soup.

It's the easiest thing in the world for the average woman to tell when a man is going to propose. A Philadelphia bartender recently applied for a position in the mint on the strength of his ability to make a good julep.—Chicago Dally News.

High Lights.

The only new jokes are those we have

Advice is like snow; we alf admire it, but haven't any use for it. Those who read us like a book are generally holding it upside down.

Some people are always only half-way down the alsle when the organ

Experience keeps a dear school and every pupil foots his own tuition bills. A Christian is a man who can stand it to find some one else occupying his

It is now believed that Adam and Eve lived in a flat and the serpent was

the janitor.

A low voice is an excellent thing in a woman; but it cuts down her attract-iveness by telephone.

We puste newspaper clippings in scrapbooks only to discover that the item of value is on the other side. A woman who has been abroad many times is never popular with women who haven't been abroad at all.—Chicago

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Suspicious Enthusiasm-"Was the banquet a success?" "I guess so. The men all wore each others' overcoats off as souvenirs."—Detroit Free Press.

George-Do you think that your father will consent to our marriage? Ethel-Oh, yes! he has always humored my sillest wishes.—Brooktyn Life.

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"You say that the question is not whether he will marry her?" "Not if you wish to be technically correct. The question is whether she will let him escape."—Chicago Evening Post.

Brown—Smith is a érank, isn't he? Jones—A crank? Why if, he should ever find he wasn't in a minority, he'd change his opinions at once.—Puck.

Graduate—Now, that I have my mail.

Graduate-Now, that I have my med-

ical diploma, professor, where would you advise me to practice for wealth? Professor—In any first class health re-sort.—Detroit Free Press, The Mother—I'm sure you would learn to love my children. Nurse—What wages do you pay? Mother—Eighteen pounds a year. Nurse—I'm afraid I could only be affectionate with them at that price.—Glasgow Evening

Citizen.

Winter visitor (in Florida)—I should love dearly to go sailing, but it looks very dangerous. Do not people often get drowned in this bay? Waterman— No, indeed, mum; the sharks never lets anybody drown.—New York Weekly.

anybody drown.—New York Weekly.
"I have invited several army officers," said the hostess, "and I am anxious that the occasion shall be something unique and appropriate. I don't want anything commonplace, like a five o'clock tea or a pink tea or a violet tea." "Well," suggested Miss Cayenne, after deliberation, "why not make it a beef tea?"—Washington Star.

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"General Jubal Early's army was

pressing our forces at every point, and I wa sordered by General George Crook, who commanded the division, to check the enemy until our wagon trains and the enemy until our wagon trains and artillery could get out of the way. A gap was chosen in the mountains, two or three regiments were ordered to build a barricade across the road in the gap, one regiment was sent up the mountain on the right and another on the left of the gap to protect the flanks; these regiments selected were accurate in firing as riflemen could be.

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"It was dark by the time all these preparations were made. General Crook was careful to give his instruction that the point must be held until the artillery and long wagon trains were beyond the reach of Early. Darkness, stillness and the mountains enveloped us. Finally an order came to march, to follow the army. General Russell Hastings, my aide, was sent up to the mountain on one side to direct the regiment to come down and take the pike in the rear of the brigade and march rapidly after the artillery.

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"Another of my staff, Major William McKinley (the President), was ordered to go up the mountain on the other side and direct the regiment to come down carefully and take the road in the rear of the breastworks. The duty was so perilous and of such great importance that the Instructions were repeatedly given with greatest care not to come given with greatest care not to come down the mountain in front of the barricade, as in the darkness our men would fire into them. Colonel Duvol, who com-manded the men behind the breast-works, fully understood the situation. It seemed hours while we were waiting for the two regiments to come down the mountain.
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"I was walking from my horse to the line of men lying down with guns resting on the pike. All at once the clear, ringing command of Colonel Duvol was heard. 'Ready! Alm!' A thousand thoughts rushed upon me! Our men were coming down the mountain and in the darkness were marching in front of the barricade. I tried to cry out to Colonel Duvol, 'They are our men, don't fire!' I rushed toward him and the line, ready to grab him and the men who were ready to fire. My soul was on fire. I was too choked to cry out, 'Our men! Our men, loading their guns. 'Those are our men, loading their guns. Those are our men, loading their guns. The load was full the men was sull the loading their guns. The load the men was sull the l

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